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This is a list of the Old Soldiers of the War of 1812 . There may be other soldiers of the war of 1812 who lived in the County of Pocahontas County but this is all that I can find at the present time. I hope that this list can be printed along with the other suplliment of old soldiers.

R. W. Brown..

The following is a partial list of the soldiers of the war of 1812, who lived in what is now Pocahontas County after the said war. This region was at the time of the War of 1812, under the regime of Bath County; some of these soldiers may have lived in other parts of Virginia, but spent their lives in Pocahontas County; However these soldiers had much to do with the early development of Pocahontas County.

Major William Poage.
Ludy Taylor .
Soloman Conrad.
David Moore .
Joseph Moore .
Preston McCarty.
Justin McCarty .
Thomas McCarty.
John Dennon .
Daniel McCarty.
David Cochran.
John R. Flemming.
William Bradshaw.
John Brown.

The four McCarty brothers who were in the War of 1812 were the sons of Timothy McCarty, the Revolutionary War Soldier; of the four brothers enlisted only one of them returned to Pocahontas County -- who was Daniel McCarty-- to live; The rest either perished in the war, or went to Tennessee or Kentucky. Their home was on the Knapps Creek near Frost Pocahontas County West Va.

John Brown not being married volunteered in his brother Josiah Browns place, was accepted, but never returned; was supposed to have perished in the war.

Chapter 4

Pocahontas County Soldiers in War 1812

1. John Brown

Josiah Brown was drafted into service at Norfolk Va. John Brown, being unmarried volunteered in his brother's place, was accepted, and ordered to report to Warm Springs. On the eve of his departure, he came to his brother Josiah to say good-bye. That was the last they ever saw or heard of him as he never returned from the war.

2. Solomon Conrad

He was drafted into the service, marched to Norfolk a distance of more than three hundred miles, served his time faithfully, was honorably discharged, and walked back to his mountain home, infected with the deadly army fever from which so few of the mountaineers ever recovered.

The entire family was seized with the fever and three of his brothers and sisters, David, Nancy and Sally died one after the other. All his life the memories of this sad home coming ever shadowed his life.

3. William Cackley, Captain - of Mill Point (Original name Beckley, changed because of the Pronunciation)

He was very popular with his soldiers because of his kindness to them. After the war, he went several times to the legislature, was County Sheriff, in later life moved to Illinois.

4. David Hannah of Elk.

He loved to relate his adventures in the war, one of the stories he was most fond of telling was an incident that happened one morning when they were told to get ready for a British attack. He took his place in the ranks and moved off to fight. He could not keep his hat on because he was so scared his hair stood up like bristles and pushed his hat off as fast as he put it on. But when the order was given to return to camp, he had no more trouble with his hat. But he says here is where the joke comes in. This incident was only a try out to see how they would act when ordered into battle.

5. Daniel McCarty

Timothy McCarty had seven sons to his first wife, Daniel, Preston, Justin, James, Thomas, and two others whose names are not available. All of them were soldiers in the war of 1812. Only one Daniel McCarty ever returned to Pocahontas to live. The others either perished in the war or went to Kentucky or Tennessee.

6. David Cochran

Took part in the affair to Craney Island near Norfolk. Served, also, under General Harrison in the West. Took part in battle of Tippecanoe. William Salisbury Jr. John (Little John) McNeil and John R. Flemmens were his mess mates.

7. Joseph Moore of Knapps Creek

During his service he met and married Hannah Cady, returned and settled on Anthony's Creek.